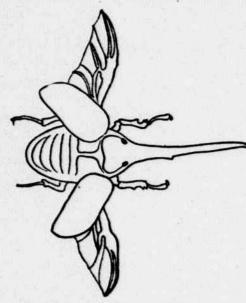
SCIENCE AND INVENTION.

Work of the World's Busy Brains in Discovering, Inventing and Creating.

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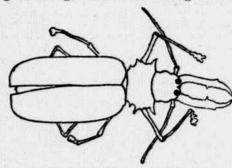
Things, and Which Exceed in Number attorney. of Families Those of the Animals.

The most numerous order of living things are the beetles, which comprise about 100,000 different species, or more marks, one label and two prints; makthan twice the total number of the ing a total of 671. Of these 468 patents backboned animals. Among these my-izens of the United States and 64 to raids there is the most marvelous di- those of foreign countries. versity of form, color, size and habits.



THE HERCULES BEETLE,

Probably the largest known insect. As a general rule they are strong, voracious insects, acting as universal scavengers, remaining concealed during the day and feeding at night. Very few of them make long flights. Their food varies greatly from hard wood to soft fruits and the carcasses of animals. They are found in the water and on land, among plants and stones, burrowing in the ground and drilling holes in



THE BRAZILIAN BEETLE.

Fire-fly.

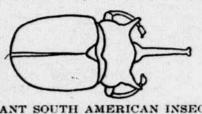
Blister-beetle Glow-worm. Lady-bird. Burying-beetle. Cantharis. Churchyard-beetle. Oil-beetle. Cockchafer. Colorado-beetle. Death-watch. Devil's coach-horses.

Stag-beetle. Water-beetle. Weevil. Wire-wo

Meal-worm.

Scarabaeus

For some reason, probably connected with their theory of immortality, the



GIANT SOUTH AMERICAN INSECT.

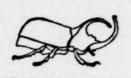
ancient Egyptians made much of the Scarabaeus Enema, which the children be seen in the Summertime rolling connecting with hooks to engage the balls to its hole. They had this figured strands of wire. on all their monuments, representations of it were carved out of precious terial as his wealth would warrant. even baked clay. The Scarabaeus was universal among them and numbers are found with every mummy. Archaelogists are much puzzled as to the exact part that the Scarab played in the Egyptian scheme of life.

The Staghorn beetle is another very interesting insect, and derives its name from the curious resemblance of some of its antennae to the shape of a deer's



Many of the beetles are of the greatest value to man in devouring carrion, filth and hurtful parasites. The latter are called Aphidhagi, and are best represented by the genus Coccinella or Lady-bird. These pretty little beetles live almost entirely on aphides or plant lice, and in this way do immense ser-

is the Hercules beetle, which attains chain around a tire. a length of seven inches. The spread with dark mottlings on the wingsheaths and reddish brown on the



SCARABAEUS ENEMA.

The insect attains its greatest growth on the island of Santo Domingo. but it is numerous elsewhere. Brazil has a great beetle, the Macrodontia Cervicornis, which measures from five to six inches in length and more in the spread of its wings. Its coloring is a light cream with reddish-brown markings on the wing-sheaths, while the polor of the head is a velvety brown. It extends over all the warmer part of

Another very common beetle in members and rubbing bars. South America is the Megasoma Elephas. The male is grayish-black, five and of a much darker color.

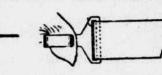
Access to Pending Applications. The Patent Office promulgates the

following: Rule 18. Before any attorney, original or associate, will be allowed to inspect papers or take action of any kind, his power of attorney must be filed. But general powers given by a principal to an associate cannot be considered. In each application the written authorization must be filed. A power of attorney with pins to arrange it at different an-

nized, either in favor of the firm or of from the wrist so as to be applicable any of its members, unless all its members by one motion of the arm. The Most Numerous Family of Living bers shall be named in such power of

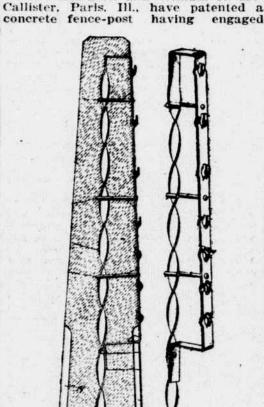
Work of the Patent Office. tent Office issued 532 patents, 136 trade-

Apron Clasp. Albert N. Fries, Cincinnati, O., has procured a patent upon a garment clasp especially intended for aprons and



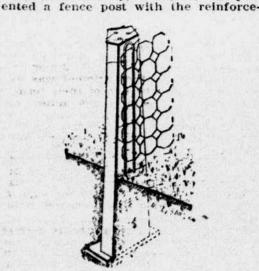
attaching tape and a U-shaped hook to engage an elongated ear upon the patented a hand ice scraper with a cutother end of the apron string.

Fence-Post. Esek McDaniel and William R. Mc-



wood. Among the most important of eyes or loops projecting from one side coupling device which can be opened and a U-shaped locking key adapted to and closed by a lever working in the Mrs. Killoughby directed.

James F. Haffey, Tiffin, O., has pat-



call the "tumble-bug," and which can ment formed in a peculiar manner and

Hoe-Attachment.

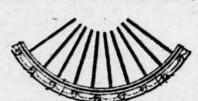
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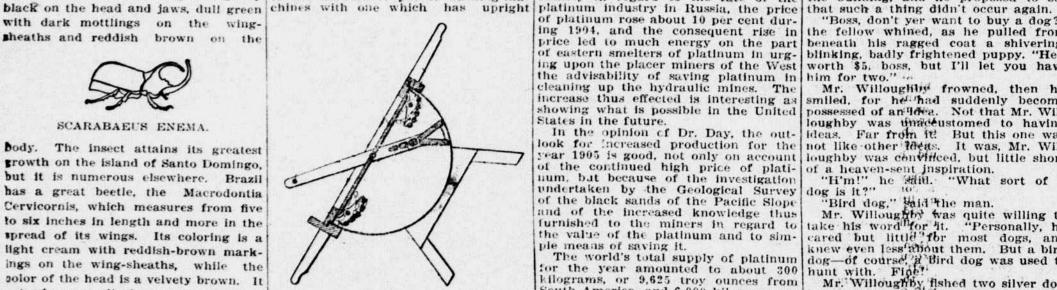
Metallic Trend.

Wallace C. Lyon, Hyattsville, Md. has patented a tire-protecting device which consists of a series of inter



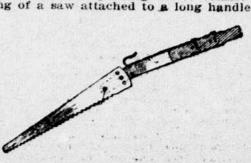
The great majority of the beetles are changeable links each having a hook vegetable eaters, and do an immense at one end and a pin at the other with the inner face of the links concaved harm. The largest insect in the world and the whole so adapted as to form a

Washing-Machine.



arms swinging upon pivotal points and 192,500 troy ounces from Russia. No to the man, provided with a dasher, squeezing production of platinum from Australia said briefly.

Pruning Saw. Charles T. Holmes, Charlotte, Vt.



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Wrist Supported Blotter.

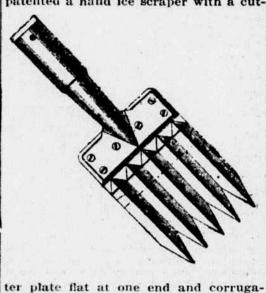
ers and clerks by a blotter supported

Swimming Appliance. Edward J. McKittrick, Walla Walla, Wash., has patented a swimming sandal to give the swimmer more purchase For the week ended Oct. 17 the Pa- on the water. It consists of a sole por-



broad flange against the foot. The flange is pierced with holes which have valves to open as the swimmer draws his foot forward and close when he pushes it head. tion provided with straps to hold consisting of a shank with means of broad flange against the foot. The

Louis Olson, Minneapolis, Minn., has



tions from the flat portion to the opposite end terminating in sharpened

Individual Finger Developer.

ented an individual finger developer cel on the kitchen table.

consisting of a slightly yielding rod "Mary Ann," she said, "here's the having in the middle a depression and new egg-beater you wanted. And," she ward the end. The rod is composed 14 cents." mainly of hard rubber with a soft surface on one side in which are the pair Mary Ann. "The regular price of thim of depressions and the one central de- egg-beaters is 15 cents." pression in the hard rubber side.

Llewellyn V. H. Burnell, Denver, Col., has patented a draw-head of a of a martyr. the families with relation to man are fencing to the post.

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Gearing.

Charles H. Ocumpaugh, Rochester, what I've been buying." she suggested N. Y., has received a patent for a bi- with the air of one conferring an inescycle and motor gearing. On the pedal timable boon. shaft is a lantern wheel with rollers as Mr. Willoughby politely assumed an cogs and engaging other lantern wheels air of anticipative interest be was far upon the driving shafts which have at from facilities. upon the driving shafts, which have at from teeling.
the other end a similar lantern wheel Mrs. Willoughby let her soup grow engagement for rotating the rear wheel, cold while she unwrapped and dis-

NEW USES FOR ALUMINUM.

It Figures in Steel Making, Household Utensils, Textile Mill Work, Lithograthy-The Output Constantly In-

wonderful, greatly benefiting the steel permitted himself a guarded expression interests, for in the modern method of of approval. making steel aluminum is used in small! quantities.

aluminum are put in each ton of open- And she proceeded to demonstrate with hearth steel made, and from six to the bit of lace. stones, and every ancient Egyptian had patented a hoe having a cutting blade eight ounces into a ton of Bessemer extending from the shank above the made in the United States in 1994.

steel industry alone. In 1904 8,600,000 pounds of alumi- Mrs. Willoughby laid her new collar an increase of 1,100,000 pounds over appreciative finger-tips. 1903. In 1902 the output in the United States was 7,300,000 pounds. The out- she observed meditatively. put in 1903 is of particular interest, be- Mr. Willoughby laid down the carvcause of the fact that 20 years before ing knife and stared at his wife. that the output was only 83 pounds, "My dear," he said helplessly, "that and at the end of the first decade of being the case, would you mind telling manufacture, in 1893, only 339,629 me just why you bought it?" pounds were made.

new uses, increasing the consumption to a wonderful degree. Aluminum cut anything which is too resistent for paper is one of the latest products, and and similar articles. Aluminum is used of economy?' for household utensils as well as those Fortunately for her own peace of for military purposes. In textile mill mind, Mrs. Willoughby never recog- Mr. Willoughby turned his attention to work aluminum spools and bobbins are nized sarcasm even when she met it his unopened bundles. very popular, and as a setting for face to face. ing acid carboys and many other chem- start from-as well a collar as anything with laughter.

PLATINUM.

An Increase in Price Brings an Increase in Production.

of platinum rose about 10 per cent during 1904, and the consequent rise in the fellow whined, as he pulled from searcely visible to the naked eye. Yet ten thousand he stumped down into the cellar and price led to much energy on the part of eastern smelters of platinum in urgining upon the placer miners of the West worth \$5, boss, but I'll let you have selected visione to the make eye. Tet the thousand times a day this delicate nerve must assist the heart to expand a third time and the same and the s the advisability of saving platinum in him for two." cleaning up the hydraulic mines. The increase thus effected is interesting as smiled, for he had suddenly become weakness or irregularity at any point is apt to spread. showing what is possible in the United States in the future.

rear 1905 is good, not only on account loughby was convideed, but little short NERVES. undertaken by the Geological Survey dog is it?"

"H'm!" he said. "What sort of a litt'e use to attempt to doctor the organ itself—the most of the black sands of the Pacific Start of the continued high price of plati- of a heaven-sent inspiration.

The world's total supply of platinum The world's total supply of platinum for the year amounted to about 300 kilograms, or 9,625 troy ounces from South America, and 6,000 kilograms, or 192,500 troy ounces from Russia. No production of platinum from Australia said briefly.

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platinum in hydraulic mines and Mr. Willoughby deposited the puppy of fron and nickel previously found in out to make some purchases. Josephine County, Ore., and in De Norte County, Cal., has also been found in commercial quantity in the Fraser River at Lilicoet. An interesting and new occurrence of platinum in place in new occurrence of platinum in place in Sumatra has been noted by Prof. L. S. Hundeshagen. All the American platinum came from California and Oregon inasmuch as operations have been suspended in the Rambler copper mine, Willoughby promptly began to investigate. The next instant, with a little scream, she withdrew her hand the year before.

MR. WILLOUGHBY'S "BARGAIN."

As Usual, the Husband Got the Worst of It in Trying to Outwit His Wife.

(From the All-Story Magazine. By Una Hudson.)

CHAPTER I.

"Just Like a Woman." Mr. Willoughby inserted his latchkey, entered his own front door, and gloomily hung his hat on the rack. Mrs. Willoughby did not, as was her usual custom, fun to meet him. But then Mr. Willoughby hadn't expected want) for 49 cents (actual value 50 points!" cents) and a handkerchief (that she didn't need) for 23 cents (slightly

He took the evening paper out of his pocket and laid it on the hall table. Then he opened the front door in re-

sponse to a clawing noise as of one with hands full of bundles trying futilely to locate the door-bell. Mrs. Willoughby, with more packages than she could comfortably man-"Oh, Henry," she gasped reproach-

fully, "why didn't you wait for me? was only half a block behind you." "But, my dear," expostulated Mr. Willoughby, "how could I know you were there? I haven't eyes in the back of my head. Why didn't you yell at "I did," said the indignant Mrs. Wil-

loughby, "and you didn't pay any at-"But I didn't hear you," Mr. Willoughby urged in self-justification.

Mrs. Willoughby smiled forgivingly.

She was constitutionally unable to re-

main angry for more than two mirates "Of course, you didn't hear me," she conceded amiably, "I'm nearly starved;

aren't you? Let's go and tell Mary Ann to put dinner on." Mrs. Willoughby trailed kitchen-ward, her husband following to pick up the packages with which her path was thickly strewn. He arrived in time to Lizzie B. Beall, Decatur, Ill., has pat- see her lay a knobby brown paper par-

depressions on the opposite sides to- announced triumphantly, "I got it for "Did ye now, mtm?" responded

> Mary Ann was a kindred soul, and appreciated a bargain. Mr. Willoughby "The soup," he prompted in the voice

"Put on the soup, Mary Ann, please,"

her plate. "Now, while we eat I can show you

played her treasures. Mr. Willoughby, with a proper regard for his digestive apparatus, ate his while it was nice and

"But this," said Mrs. Willoughby, "is the gem of the collection." She shook out and held up for her husband's inspection a bit of delicate More aluminum is manufactured in lace embroidered in layender silk. Niagara Falls than in any other place in the world. It was on Aug. 26, 1895, that the works at Niagara Falls start- that not even the allurements of a bared operation, and in the 10 years that gain sale could tempt Mrs. Willoughby have passed the development has been to neglect her household duties. He

"But what," he asked, "is it?" "Just like a man," she commented Usually from two to five ounces of gaily. "Why, my dear, it's a collar.

"Take it off." begged Mr. Willough subjected to this treatment, something like 5,000,000 pounds of alumitrombinations. But for an unfortunate num would have been consumed by the lack of "temperament" he probably to do with a gun?" would have been an artist.

num were made in the United States, on the tablecloth and smoothed it with Then: "I'm going to shoot with it," he "It fights with every gown I have,"

"So I could buy a gown to match it. Every day aluminum is applied to Mrs. Willoughby explained tranquilly.

"And I presume also a hat?" "Yes, and gloves and a parasol." paper is one of the latest products, and "And is that," inquired Mr. Wil-knowledge. "Dogs are not like chil-it is said to be far superior to tin foil loughby, sarcastically polite, "your idea dren. They—er—mature very rapid-

locomotives, lithographic plates, letter half. And when you're buying a new plained, "is my hunting-cap." boxes, in patented explosives, for mak- gown you've got to have something to

> Mr. Willoughby sighed and resumed look so funny his carving. He had been married long enough to recognize the futility of arguing with the lady who bore his name and spent his money. . . .

The war between Russia and Japan Mr. Willoughby looked with disgust probably responsible for the fact that at the dirty, slouching figure that had the output of platinum in the United suddenly appeared beside his desk. Mr. States increased from 110 ounces in Willoughby wondered how he had man-1903, valued at \$2,080, to 200 ounces, aged to elude the man whose duty it from tip to tip of the wings is over | Carl E. Miller, Akron, O., has added valued at \$4,160 in 1904. Owing to was to keep agents and beggars out of eight inches. The coloring is a glossy to the number of patent washing-ma- anxiety in regard to the fate of the the building, and he proposed to see

> Mr. Willoughby frowned, then he possessed of an Idea. Not that Mr. Wil- | Heart trouble frequently arises from Stomach trouble In the opinion of Dr. Day, the out- ideas. Far from it! But this one was low. For each of these organs is operated by a branch ook for increased production for the not like other deas. It was, Mr. Wil- of these same sympathetic nerves-the INSIDE

> > knew even less'about them. But a bird this very line. It does not dose the organ to deaden

The fellow pocketed the money and good health. latinum and palladium from the Sud- went out into the hall, where he atoury copper mines continues to come tempted the physically impossible feat Inches long and two inches broad. The has patented a pruning device consisting of a saw attached to a long handle ladium which these ores could furnish. About "too dead easy. Might's well low 3531, Racine, Wis. Book 4 for Women female is smaller in both dimensions ing of a saw attached to a long handle ladium which these ores could furnish. about "too dead easy. Might's well

> redges of the Fraser River is due prin- in the waste-basket and left him in cipally to the fact that the natural alloy charge of the office boy while he went CHAPTER II.

> > "There's something," said Mr. Wil-

"Just Like a Man."

"Where?" asked Mrs. Willoughby.

"Oh, I thought he was just a dog."

'He's a pointer.

they reduced him."

malice.

cause my other clothes don't correspond. Just wait till you see me in my He opened the remaining package and displayed a canvas coat, very stiff and yellow and new. Mrs. Willoughby, fascinated, watched

while he put it on.
"Well?" he prompted.
"I think I like you better in your evening things," Mrs. Willoughby said

with-tactful evasion.

"But it's very picturesque, don't you think?" Mr. Willoughby insisted. "Well, you might call it that," said "You bet it's alive," said Mr. Wil-Mrs. Willoughby, "but Iloughby. "And," he added impressivestifled another giggle and demanded ly, "it's the greatest bargain you ever abruptly, "What are all those pockets

Mrs. Willoughby tiptoed excitedly "Those," explained Mr. Willoughby, about her husband. Then her antici- "are intended to hold the ducks and patory "Oh!" gave place to a disap-pointed "Ah!" Mr. Willoughby had rabbits and things I shoot." then Mr. Willoughby hadn't expected that she would. This was Monday—bargain day—and Mrs. Willoughby, as bargain day—and Mrs. Willoughby, as "See him!" he cried enthusiastically. He turned around once more to inspection. Then he took off the cap and divested himself of the capvas coat. He read disapproval in his wife's eyes, Mr. Willoughby had he very well knew, was downtown buying two yards of ribbon (that she didn't
points!"

See nim: ne cried entitusiastically. He read disapproval in meeting the search of the second points and he mentally anathematized himself for a senseless idiot that he hadn't thought of this object-lesson years ago. "All over him," said Mr. Willoughby Mrs. Willoughby struggled stlently in a why-don't-you-know sort of tone. with herself, then she burst forth: "Henry Willoughby, will you tell me why in the name of wonder you bought Mr. Willoughby looked sharply at his all these things?" wife, but her guileless expression con-"I bought them

"I bought them," explained Mr. Wilvinced him that she was innocent of all loughby, "to go with my \$2 bargain "That dog," he went on, advancing He drew a long breath and waited

an argument that he felt sure would hopefully. A hint like that—appeal to her, "is worth \$10. I got "But," expostulated Mrs. expostulated Mrs. Willough him for two."
"Dear me," said Mrs. Willoughby. by, "what will you do with them? You know you don't care two cents for Into her tone had crept a shade more of interest. "He seems to be all right. I wonder," she said dreamily, "why a moment in silence."

"THE PUP HAD SOMEHOW MANAGED TO ESCAPE FROM THE BOX."

Mr. Willoughby coughed, choked and inwardly thanked heaven that the door he was now vigorously worrying a corbell rang just then. He opened the door to find an undersized boy staggering under an overgrown package. Mr Willoughby took it from him and shut

He stripped off the enveloping brown paper and disclosed a neat canvas case. "Gracious!" said Mrs. Willoughby. "What is it?"

"My new gun," said Mr. Willoughby. steel. In fact, had every ton of steel by. "It's all right in itself, but it fights Willoughby gazed at it in wide-eyed made in the United States in 1904 been with your gown." He drew it out with a flourish. Mrs. "For the love of heaven, Henry Wil-

loughby," she said, "what are you going At any cost he'd see the thing through. Mr. Willoughby opened the door to two more packages before he replied. explained with dignity. He pointed to the mite of a puppy. "That," he said impressively, "is the sort of dog you

hunt with.' Mrs. Willoughby giggled and lifted the dog to the floor. "Why, Henry Willoughby," she reanything larger than a fly." 'You are mistaken, my dear," said Mr. Willoughby with an air of superior

Mrs. Willoughby giggled again, and

He held up a remarkable piece of lenses aluminum is much lighter than brass. It is used on railway cars, on iscently, "and I got it for a dollar and a half-way round it. "This," he ex-He put it on, and his wife shrieked

> "Oh, Henry," she gasped, "you do Mr. Willoughby eyed himself in the hall mirror.
> "That," he said, with an air of con-

viction he was far from feeling, "is be-

The heart itself has no power-no self-control. It is

This nerve is only one of the branches of the great sympathetic, or Inside, nerve system. Each branch box behind the furnace. It did not of this system is so closely allied with the others that make a particularly luxurious bed even loughby was timaceustomed to having through sympathy, and Kidney trouble may also fol-

of the black sands of the Pacific Slope and of the increased knowledge thus furnished to the miners in regard to the value of the platinum and to sim-

receive the "Health Token," an intended passport to covers. He listened intently for a For the free book and Book 1 on Dyspepsia

Dr. Shoop's slumbering in peace at his side.

"I reckon if Annabel can sleep through it I can, too," he decided. And he lay down and pulled the blankets about his ears.

State which book you Book 5 for Men

His first shyness had worn off and ner of the hall rug. Mrs. Williughby got up and rescued

the rug. "Your dog," she said, "is, I am afraid, liable to prove rather an expensive bargain.' "Most bargains do," said Mr. Wil

loughby. But he said it dispiritedly. It was so perfectly evident that Mrs. Willoughby had failed to make personal application of his carefully-thought-up and rather expensive object-lesson.' Mr. Willoughby was discouraged, but

he had gone too far now to turn back. CHAPTER III. "Now You've Done It."

When Mr. Willoughby bought the dog he had regarded him merely as a somewhat undesirable means to an unquestionably desirable end. He had seemed such a constitutionally meek, thoroughly cowed little animal, that Mr. Willoughby had not unnaturally monstrated, "it will be years and years concluded that he would be no more before that dog is big enough to hunt trouble to care for than was the bronze dog who lived on the parlor mantel and incidentally supplied matches from a by didn't look the part.

bronze basket held between his front paws. But all the warm milk he wanted for his dinner, and the society of the Wiltorture him!" He leveled an accusing loughby cat, who disliked dogs, proved wonderfully stimulating. Mary Ann flatly declined to have him in the ting cushions out of his reach and res-

cuing magazines and papers. Then the question arose as to where the dog should sleep. For obvious reasons he could not be expected to share pussy's bed, nor could he be left to Bronchitis, Asthma and all Bronchial roam at large throughout the house. troubles cured. We have absolutely cured hundreds of patients and we have grate-"I'm sure I don't know what you will do with him," Mrs. Willoughby said, ful letters of proof from every one of one eye on the dog and one on her shoe buckles. He had developed an uncomfortable and unexpected affinity for shoe buckles. "He's your dog, you

know," she hinted sweetly. Mr. Willoughby knew. He hadn't yet reached the point of regretting his purchase, but he did wish he could shift his responsibility long enough to read the

hunted up an empty box and a piece of old carpet. He combined the two in the only way possible and shoved the for a dog, and Mr. Willoughby knew it. but he dropped the puppy into it with a grunt of satisfaction.

The box was wide and deep, and there was no doubt in his mind but that i would hold the dog prisoner until somebody saw fit to come down and fish him out. Then he locked the outside cellar

door, the kitchen door, the side door and the front door, and carefully inspected the fastenings of all the windows-for Mrs. Willoughby was nerv ous about possible burglars-and followed his wife up stairs to bed. Some three hours later Mr. Willoughby sat suddenly up in bed, his the Heart. It will be sent free, and with it you will eyes staring, his hands clutching at the

repetition of the noise that had roused

There it camey-a-ap!" Furnace pipes are good conductors of noise when the noise happens to be in the basement and directly beneath them. "It's that confounded dog!" Willoughby muttered. He looked at his wife, apparently

But the pup in the cellar seemed to have decided otherwise. He continued to yap, and at the end of ten minutes

Consultation Free. Contingent Fees. (which he would have taken his oath

EITHER OF

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64 PAGE BOOK ON DEAFNESS

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He resisted an unchivalrous but perfectly natural impulse to prod his sleeping wife into a state of consciousness for wakefulness, like misery, loves com-

pany, and crawled out of bed. He reached for bathrobe and slippers took the night-lamp and began an unwilling pilgrimage to the cellar. The pup had somehow managed to escape from his box. He lay on his back or the cellar floor, and he howled and howled and howled.

"Do," urged the justly exasperated Mr. Willoughby, "do try to see if you can't open your mouth just a little wider. And why don't you get neares the pipes? You want us to hear you don't you?"

He said other things, too—things that the furnace pipes carried to the ears of Mrs. Willoughby, who wasn't asleep at all—how, indeed, could she have been? -and caused her to marvel at her husband's strange vocabulary.

Three times that night the enraged Mr. Willoughby journeyed from his warm bed to the cold cellar to replace that pup in his box. Each time the remarks Mr. Willoughby addressed to the source and author of his woes grew more bitingly sarcas-

tic. Each time the language conveyed

by the furnace pipes to the listening Mrs. Willoughby grew more startlingly lurid and picturesque. The next morning Mr. Willoughby slept late and his wife hadn't the heart to waken him. Business could wait. If couldn't, his partner could see to

things.

cently.

When he finally came down-stairs his two-dollar bargain dog met him at the dining-room door. He had had more warm milk and another set-to with the cat. He was in the best of spirits, and he greeted his new master with a chorus of short, yappy barks that evoked unpleasant recollections.
"Shut up!" growled Mr. Willoughby.
And he aimed a futile kick at the dog.

"He made such a hideous noise all last night," he mumbled in self-justification when Mrs. Willoughby appeared suddenly on the scene. "Did he, really?" said she

"Annabel," demanded her outraged husband, "am I to understand that you actually slept through all that racket?' "I had to sleep through it," said Mrs. Willoughby demurely. "Else how did I know you wouldn't insist on my going down to the cellar with you?"

Mr. Willoughby was just finishing his second cup of coffee when Mary Ann came in to announce a visitor. "He's an officer," she said in an awestruck whisper. "Good gracious!" ejaculated Mrs. Willoughby. "What can he want?

Mary Ann, have you been throwing garbage in the alley again?"
"I have not," said Mary Ann. Her flour-streaked countenance took on an expression of outraged dignity that caused Mr. Willoughby to smile-behind his napkin. Mary Ann was a good cook and must not be offended.

"Of course you haven't, Mary Ann," he said soothingly. "Show him in here. He probably wants to see me." Mr. Willoughby's surmise was correct. The visitor proved to be a repre-

sentative of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. "One of your neighbors," he explained, "complained that you'd been torturing a dog all last night in your cellar, and I called to investigate the matter.

pleasant to be obliged to accuse a man at his own breakfast table, and in the presence of his wife, of mistreating a helpless animal. Beside, Mr. Willough-"Me torture that dog! Me!" said the outraged owner of the animal with more emphasis than grammar.

Mr. Willoughby glared at the repre-

sentative of the S. P. C. A. It is not

finger at the pup, who seemed to be trying to remove the greatest possible (Centinued on page six.)

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